

BELMONT HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION MEETING
Belmont Town Hall
Jan. 8, 2009

Meeting Minutes

Members Attending: Lisa Bernt and Connie Williams

Liaisons Attending: Capt. Peter Hoerr (Police Dept.)

Meeting began at 7:00 pm

1. Lisa Bernt presided. Connie Williams took notes.
2. A quorum was not present. There was no information regarding the phone line. Lisa agreed to check to see who monitored the line since our Dec. meeting.
3. Capt. Hoerr reported that he had called the Executive Director of the Housing Authority to see if the caller to HRC was the same person who had brought issues to her. He was unable to talk with the Director.
4. We reviewed the HRC charge. Lisa made suggested changes and agreed to send out the proposed changes to all members. Changes reflect that HRC receives rather than investigates violations, and rather than issue findings, refers matters to appropriate bodies.
5. HRC membership: There are 4 vacancies on the Commission. Connie suggested that current members attempt to interest people in the work of the commission by identifying persons who might join and telling them of our purpose and activities.
6. February: Judie Feins and Connie Williams are working with Laura Jean on a program at the high school that focuses on housing and fair practices.
March: MCAD chair, Malcolm Medley is coming to our meeting.
7. Selectman LeClerc stopped by our meeting as he was leaving another appointment in Town Hall. He stressed the importance of revising the charge and interesting more people in the work of HRC.

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm